

The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon

# Counterpoise



March 2012



## PROGRAM: MARTY WOLL, FIELD DAY 2012

Come listen to Marty Woll, N6VI as he presents some must-have information about Field Day 2012.

He will also present tactical opportunities to get more out of your Field Day efforts and ways to tackle such problems as cross-band interference and incorporation of a Get-On-The-Air (GOTA) station into a group's primary operation.



Join us at  
First Lutheran Church  
867 S. Lincoln Ave  
El Cajon, Ca  
Thursday, March 8, 2012



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## Upcoming Events

### MARCH, 2012

March 3, 6 AM: Join Tom N6JOJ at the Santee Swap Meet. Buy and sell ham radio equipment

March 6, 7:00 PM: Board Of Directors meeting.

March 8, 7:00 PM: Membership meeting.  
Budget approval.  
Marty Woll N6VI Field Day Presentation

March 17, 7:00 AM: Oriflamme run. We need a total of 8 operators to come help communicate where cell phones don't go.

### JUNE, 2012

June 23 10:00 AM - June 24 10:00 AM: Field Day, 24 hour operating event under emergency conditions.

## ARCEC Counterpoise

The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, a group of Amateur Radio operators, interested and active in the service of the Amateur Radio service, publish a monthly newsletter, where members and officers can post information of interest to other members.

Our policy is to print and/or post only information that is related to Amateur Radio, and not items of a political or religious nature, unless it has an impact on Amateur Radio, such as antenna ordinances, etc.

If a member wishes to have printed a topic that is not Amateur Radio related, they can submit a copy to the club

# President's Message

March 2012

Hey all, we have a couple faces in new roles with the Club since we last met. Mike KJ6LRB, our Treasurer, resigned for personal reasons and we also received a resignation from Tuck NF9T, our way overloaded with responsibility Counterpoise editor. As the show must go on, these positions have been filled and I'd like to welcome Joseph KI6TTF as our new Club Treasurer and Tom KI6ABZ as our new Counterpoise editor.

For those of you who didn't make it to Yuma for the 2012 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention, you missed a pretty darned good show. Yaesu, ICOM, FlexRadio, Elecraft, Byonics, HAM Radio Outlet, CQ Magazine, RF Stuff, and many more were there and either selling their wares or providing lots of information about their products. The HAM Gear Swap meet didn't have as many sellers as in the past, but all buyers I talked to got pretty good deals including an Astron 20A power supply that I picked up for \$35. The list of Seminars was pretty extensive and ended with the ARRL Forum put on by our ARRL Southwestern Division Director, Dick Norton N6AA.

Now, if you didn't make it to Yuma for the Southwestern Division Convention this year, you'll have another chance next year as Yuma has been selected again to be the host of the ARRL Southwestern Division Convention in 2013. As the Organizer for Quartzfest© which is an ARRL Specialty Operating Convention, I know just how much work goes in to putting on these events. My hat's off to Roger Hunt (who is the Yuma Convention Organizer) and his staff for taking on the Division Convention 2 years in a row.

You may notice while reading this month's Counterpoise, that Field Day is a major topic. What's Field Day? For the answer, make sure you read this month's "Ask an Elmer" column.



As Field Day is our Club's biggest event of the year, while our Field Day Chairman Joseph KI6UPY is working hard planning the big weekend, we're beginning our efforts to promote Field Day for the Club. Speaking of promoting Field Day, it begins with our Club members. Are you planning on attending Field Day with us? Do you have a radio you want to use at Field Day? Are you interested in helping newer HAMS get on the air during Field Day weekend by being an Elmer to them? Can we count on you to help us load our equipment at the Club's storage shed on the morning of Friday June 22nd? Can we count on you to help put together antennas and set up towers that same day? Can we count on you to help us tear down the Field Day site after Field Day ends at 11:00am (local time) Sunday June 24th? I know I don't really need to ask these questions because you've always been there to help. Why? Because that's just what HAMS do.

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Club Phone number is **619-663-6011**



For now, 73,

Steve KO4QT



# ASK AN ELMER

An Elmer is not a cartoon character, but is the Ham term for “The guy who knows more than the rest of us put together,” or something like that. Elmers are the ones who pass on their knowledge to the next generation of operators.



This month’s question is answered by Steve Weed, KO4QT.

When asked how he likes his wabbit, Steve replied “Wascally.”

## The Question:

### ***“What’s all this hype about Field Day? What goes on and how do I fit in?”***

For those of you who are new to Ham Radio and don’t know what Field Day is, it’s a multi-purpose activity with something for everyone to do. It’s an exercise in emergency communications (we use portable antenna’s with a generator or solar panels to power the radios), it’s a contest, it’s an opportunity for HAM’s (and non-HAM’s) to get on the air on HF (even if you don’t have a General ticket), and a place for learning and socializing. The food’s usually pretty darned good too!

The following is a reprint from page 2 of the ARRL’s 2009 Field Day Packet...it pretty well sum’s it up:

#### ***Field Day... For the Fun of It!***

*We all became hams for our own reasons. Some of us were interested in public service and helping others in times of need. Many discovered the hobby as an outlet to their curiosity about electronics and communications. Still others joined our ranks because of the quest to meet new people and expand their own personal bank of knowledge. Whatever the reason you became an amateur, there is one compelling thread that brought us all together in this fraternity of amateur radio. It is as simple as can be:*

#### ***We became hams for the FUN of the hobby!***

*And while it serves a wide array of interests and purposes, there is no greater FUN-damental goal for Field Day than to **HAVE FUN!** While it encompasses a broad*

*range of amateur radio interests – CW, Phone, Digital, emergency preparedness, public service, satellites, recruitment, antennas, new and vintage equipment, and so many more – Field Day is, above all else, a chance for us to have some fun with our hobby. After all, while it is a regulated service and there are serious aspects to our use of the bands, the true “amateur spirit” of our hobby (defined by Paul Segal, W9EEA, back in 1928 in “**The Amateur’s Code**”) is found in “slow and patient operating when requested; friendly advice and counsel to the beginner; kindly assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interests of others.”*

***Fun is where YOU find it in this hobby.*** Some will discover the fun by operating overnight building up their club’s total number of **QSOs**. Others will never make a single Field Day contact but will derive their fun by helping set-up **antennas and generators**. The joy of sharing your radio **knowledge** to a newcomer will be fun for many old-timers while other old-timers will experience the “Field Day high” when they make their very first QSO using a new **digital mode** or via one of the amateur radio **satellites**. The camaraderie of the annual club Field Day **picnic** covered dish supper will be a fun highlight for many, while still others will find the joy in the hobby by simply being able to spend a couple of hours from home on an otherwise busy weekend tuning the bands and making a few contacts. Test your skills and limits. But what ever you do, remember the first and most important element of Field Day is **HAVE SOME FUN!**

Field Day this year will be on the weekend of June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and you’ll want to put those dates on your calendar now so you won’t have any scheduling mess up’s in June. We’re still nailing down a location and as soon as we do, you can bet our Field Day Chairman, Joseph KI6UPY will be letting you all know.

Whether this year is your first Field Day or another in a long list of memorable Field Days, I hope you’re able to spend some time with us at Field Day this year.

73,

Steve Weed KO4QT

President

Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, Inc.

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# On Air Nets

The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon sponsors 5 weekly nets. These are on-air conversations where you can meet fellow amateur radio operators and work your club members to receive awards. Net participants earn participant points, which go toward prizes at the end of the year.

**Monday Nights** 7:00 PM on all club repeaters  
The Donut Net with Axel KI6RRN. This is a fun net, with trivia and discussion. There will be talk of sweet, sugary snacks.

**Tuesday Nights** 8:00 PM on all club repeaters  
The Wide Open Ham net is hosted by Frito. Frito will almost certainly ask how your day went, and discussion of food is almost certainly going to follow.

**Wednesday Nights** 8:00 PM on all club repeaters  
The WAMO net with Daniel is an opportunity to talk to club members, earn points toward a WAMO award, and maybe learn a little about amateur radio along the way. We probably won't be talking about food.

**Thursday Night** 7:00 PM on 28.435  
Frito graces us once again with his indomitable personality and cheerful demeanor. This is a simplex net on 10 meters, in the allocation open to all hams – even Technicians. At some point, the net may move up to the club system, so be listening on 147.42

**Saturday Night** 8:00 PM on all club repeaters  
The weekend WAMO net is headed up by Heather and Margaret. Take another chance and work those WAMO's. In case you're wondering: yes, it *is* a contest.

**WAMO** stands for "Worked All Members Once"  
This award is given to club members who can work 20 other club members.

To work a WAMO, exchange call signs, WAMO numbers, and first names. Log this information, and once you've logged 20 contacts, send in your log to WAMO@wa6bgs.us for your award.

After that, the awards pile up: each 5 WAMO's worked is another rung on the ladder to WAMO greatness. How long will it take you to reach 100?

## WA6BGS Repeaters

147.420 (146.475) PL 107.2	Club Repeaters are open to all
224.080 (-) PL 107.2	licensed operators.
445.900 (-) PL 107.2	Please yield to nets and priority
	calls.

# Board Happenings

Quite a bit has happened since the last *Counterpoise*. Following the February BoD meeting, we have had a change of treasurer (Joseph KI6TTF) and a new editor for the Counterpoise (Tom KI6ABZ.)

The club also appointed chairs for the 2012 year.  
Health & Welfare: Dave Ward  
Tower: Joseph KI6TTF  
Technical: Pat WA6MHZ  
We are still seeking individuals for other open positions.

The USPTO sent a letter asking for more information on the club's trademark. Steve is moving forward and contacting the examiner with more information.

The board also discussed a gift from Bruce Palmer KT4ET. Bruce gave the club a Kenwood TS-520. Pat WA6MHZ will be doing some minor repairs and servicing the radio so it's ready for the club's use.

The board also wants to remind the club's members to join us for the on-air nets during the week. Please join us and spend some time talking and hanging out with your fellow club members. A schedule of nets is posted in this newsletter.

## Recovering our lost members

Do you know members or past members of the club that haven't been receiving updates from the websites?

Do you know past members who are no longer with the club?

Let your friends know that joining or re-joining the club is easier than ever: you can use the form at the end of this newsletter, or you can sign up through our web site at [www.wa6bgs.us](http://www.wa6bgs.us)

## Driving Directions to meeting:

### From the West:

Take I-8 East, Exit El Cajon Blvd/Chase Ave. At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Chase Avenue. Go about 1.5 miles to South Lincoln Avenue. Lincoln will be 1 block after Avocado Drive. Turn left on South Lincoln. We are 2 blocks up on the right.

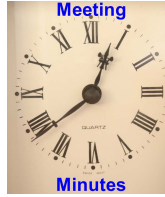
### From the East:

Take I-8 West, Exit Mollison Avenue. Go South on Mollison about 2 miles to Washington. Turn right on Washington. Go 1 block and turn left on South Lincoln. We are 1 block up on the left.

# General Meeting Minutes

## Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon

Jan 12, 2012



7:03 Meeting called to order.

Treasurer report given

Bank account balances given.

7 members renewed tonight

Rene and James kj6fxa motioned and treasurer's report approved

President report, review of 2011

Intellectual Property and physical items in the possession of members of the Lakeside Amateur Radio club must be returned from prior board members before Dick Norton will allow membership to AARL

Field day, last weekend of June, need to start field day logo contest. 4 colors, including white, needs to have call sign, 2012 field day, Club name.

Earl T gave an EME Presentation

Need donations for coffee and donuts

Quartfest announcement

8:25 social break

8:40 meeting called to order

Joe C spoke of T hunts, in May and June.

He will be giving a presentation in April.

T hunts are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays. They meet at Grossmont College southeast parking lot

We need help with on the air activity

Suggestions included:

T-hunts, fairs and parades, more community assist.

Net control operators training.

Camping event.

Middle of the week events?

RF exposure.

Programming.

CW and CW practice net.

Soldering.

Radio familiarization,

basic trouble shooting,

RTTY IRLP, Echolink

Budget for 2012, budget is put together will be put up on members only website will be voted on in Feb. 2012

Feb. program will be about the Midway Radio Museum

Meeting adjourned at 9:06

February 9, 2012: These minutes approved at membership Meeting by majority vote of members present.

## Oriflamme Run

Nick AD6UK and Tom KI6ABZ drove out to Lake Cuyamaca last weekend and helped prepare for the Oriflamme 50k run coming up on March 17.

This is a great chance to come out and operate at a public event. All but one of the operating sites are right off a public road, so there's no heavy lifting or long walks involved. Just drive in, park, and turn on your radio.

We're looking for up to 4 more volunteers to help out at 3 of the aid stations: Nick and Tom will be providing radios and power at 2 locations; they each need an additional person to provide backup support and company-keeping.

We also need a two-person team to manage the third aid station. You will need a 2 meter radio station and power supply: either a good battery or generator.

## Meet The Editor

Tom Wilson KI6ABZ

For some of you in the club, I'm a new face: I first joined the ARCEC in 2009, but stepped away after a few months until the end of last year. I'm a General-class licensee: I received my Technician license in 2005 and up-graded in 2009.



I currently hold a General-class license, and I am a member of the club's Board of Directors.

I'm also an avid computer junkie and Science Fiction nerd. If you know a Dalek from a Saarlac, you just might be my kind of people.

Contact the *Counterpoise* editor at counterpoise@wa6bgs.us



# North America QSO Party

Daniel Warner KJ6IOB

The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon participated in the North America QSO Party on January 21. The club operated from Nick AD6UK's house.

Nick, Daniel KJ6IOB, Tom KI6ABZ, and Quinn KI6LAT all came out and participated.

We had 3 stations going, one on 20 meters, one on 15 meters, and another station roaming all of the available bands. We made almost 50 contacts and had a great time, finally calling it a day at around 5:00 PM.

We also managed to contact Steve KO4QT out at Quartzite, AZ as he worked on the Quartzfest event.

These kinds of events are a lot of fun for both new and experienced operators. Even Technician operators can get in on the action, since they can work under the club's call sign.



Quinn KI6LAT Dropped by to show us how it's done.



Tom KI6ABZ making contacts on 20 meters.



Daniel KJ6IOB looks like he's seen a ghost. Tom just wishes it would stop interfering with 20 meters.



Nick AD6UK made more contacts than the rest of us that day.

## Health And Welfare

*Our club is a community, and we try to look out for each other. Watch this space for information and updates about our club's members.*

Wesley Ogilvie KA6ELK is home recuperating after a short hospital visit.

Frank Sheeler KN6HQ is now a Silent Key and is survived by his wife Lee KN6HP.

If you see any corrections that need to be made to anything in this newsletter, please send a note to [counterpoise@wa6bgs.us](mailto:counterpoise@wa6bgs.us)  
**Thanks**

# Antenna Workshop, Feb 2012

Antenna "Workshop" ended up being an Antenna "Work Shop"

Well, most of you know that we try to put together educational workshops each month to provide you the knowledge and tools to make you better HAM Radio Operators. Our attendance from Club members for these workshops has been low, but we'll continue holding them each month, just in case some of you want to learn more about HAMMING.

Yesterday, Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, we had an HF antenna workshop scheduled at our Club shed. Lacking any participants, the folks present, Dan KJ6IOB (Director), Dave KI6GRN (Director), Nick AD6UK (Vice President) and me Steve KO4QT (President) got to work on a "Work Shop" in the shed. Jason WE6AES dropped in a little after we got started.

What we started out to do was inventory our Club's assets but what we ended up doing was pulling just about everything out of the shed, did some repair work to the inside of the shed, moved shelves and secured them to the wall, separated our antennas and bundled each antenna's elements together and even vacuumed the mouse droppings so none of us would be breathing the mouse poop dust and getting sick. Pat WA6MHZ, we didn't see a single Black Widow Spider. In fact the only spider I saw was a (1) daddy long legs. The 3 or 4 mice we found were babies and were all belly up when we found them. Maybe all the years I've sprayed the shed for pests, has finally done some good!

It was a long day, spending close to 8 hours working so as the last of the stuff was going back in the shed, I fired up the grill on the back of my fifth wheel and added some heat to a few Ball Park Franks. Dogs and buns chased with BBQ Tater Chips and Dr Pepper did the trick.

Now that we know we have more antennas that we ever imagined (but all in parts and pieces), we'll need to hold a few antenna parties to see if we can get the right pieces in the right places and get them to tune to resonance. Talk about a perfect opportunity to learn! I'll be learning



right along with you. You're gonna have to make sure you come out to these antenna parties to learn with us.

Working alongside other Club members allows camaraderie between you all and it's a rare occasion that you'll leave the event without new friends and increased knowledge.



73 'til next time,  
Steve KO4QT  
ARCEC President

## Public Relations Update

*"ALL SPECIAL EVENTS ARE EMCOMM TRAINING"*

Someone semi-famous in the San Diego amateur radio community spreads this message anytime he can, to whoever he can. Among the benefits of being a "ham" is being able to help out organizations that need communications over a large area or involving "one to many" communications. While some look down their mic cables at doing parades, horse rides, triathlons, CalFire Red Flag Patrols, and such, it really improves the general public's awareness that, "When all else fails ... amateur radio."

Speaking of Red Flag Patrols, there is a new more applicable training program being finalized by CalFire's Roxanne and her Volunteers In Prevention (VIP) crew. Some of you recall the wildland fire training, which had many good bits of information but much of which is not relevant to Red Flag Patrols. Stay tuned and I will relay the information as soon as it is sent to me.

If you have never been involved in Red Flag Patrols and want to get on the call-out list, please contact Eric T. Crosser, N6SUB, Co-Red Flag Patrol Branch Director at [wolpertinger1@msn.com](mailto:wolpertinger1@msn.com). Or, I would be happy to take your information and forward it to him.

73 de KI6GZK - Don Dodson - Public Safety Liaison,  
ARCEC  
E-mail: [KI6GZK@arrl.net](mailto:KI6GZK@arrl.net)



## Field Day T-Shirt LOGO Contest

Winning LOGO to be selected at our April 12<sup>th</sup> Club meeting

Field Day T-Shirt history: This year is our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Field Day T-Shirt contest which was started back in 2007 by our Club's 2006/2007 Vice President Ed Felter AI6O. We've seen a variety of designs over the years. 2007 was a "Log Cabin" theme, 2008 was a "Spider", 2009 was back to the "Log Cabin/Mountain" theme, 2010 was a "tent and dipole in a pine forest", 2011 was a "spider", and what will 2012 bring?

Have you started working on your LOGO for our 2012 ARCEC Field Day T-Shirts yet? If your design wins the contest, you'll receive a "free" Field Day T-Shirt with your LOGO prominently displayed on the back.

Rules: your logo must have in it

1. Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon
2. Field Day 2012
3. WA6BGS
4. No reference to the ARRL (this is an Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon shirt not ARRL)
5. Have no more than three colors, plus the "white" of the shirt

## ARRL Volunteer Examiner Qualifications

As the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon puts in to place our own Volunteer Examiner group using the ARRL as our VEC, we are in need of examiners. Our VE Exams will be held on the second Thursday of each month during our Club meetings. If you're a VE with any VEC, you qualify as an ARRL VE automatically. Our Club "Team Leader" is Virgil K7VP and he needs your help. If you hold a General, Advanced or Extra class License, you can help us. Please contact VirgilK7VP@msn.com for details.

As a Volunteer Examiner (VE), you are the gatekeeper to the integrity of the Volunteer Examiner Program. To that end, you must have certain qualifications and be accredited by a Volunteer Examiner Coordinator.

To qualify to be a Volunteer Examiner, you must:

- be 18 years of age or older; and
- never have had your amateur station or operator licenses suspended or revoked; and
- hold a valid General, Advanced or Extra Class license. [97.509]

If you meet these criteria, the ARRL/VEC would like to hear from you. To be accredited by the ARRL/VEC, you must complete a training program. Examiners may be accredited by more than one VEC. VEs are not required to work with only one VE Team or VEC and are not restricted to any particular area. A VEC does not have to accept the services of a VE if it does not want to.

## Net Manager Report

2/06/12

To BoD ARCEC WA6BGS

All is quiet on the repeaters. All systems go.

Net participation is marginal.

No stats received from the Monday evening net. Frito has submitted reports.

Wamo Net Reports received

A more structured report is under development.

KI6TTF Joseph



# Tower Trailer Committe Chair Report

2/06/12

To BoD ARCEC WA6BGS

Images to follow when located.

In late November a routine check of the TT which included hitching up, checking lights and brakes, operating generator with a load, checking fuel and oil, and operating tilt and erection. The erection was known to be inoperable in October and it worked when tested in December. The reason for the change is unknown.

In January the same procedure was used to prepare the TT for delivery to Chollas Park for Kids Day. This time the erection effort failed with the same behavior as observed in October. A methodical inspection of the motor and control wiring resulted in the observation of a failed terminal on position 7 (relative to up and left) of the erect operation switch. The terminal had fatigued and was broken at the molded switch body.

A search for a switch to match this configuration was sucessful. A new switch is ordered and delivery is expected this week. Shipping was not rushed as it reduces the total cost of the repair. Expedited 2 Day shipping cost more than the switch. USGS has temporarily suspended all major earthquakes in the Pacific region and they await notification of the TT return to service.

Actuator Type	: Toggle
Contact Form	: 3PDT
Current, Rating	: 10 A 277 VAC, 20 A 125 VAC; 3/4 HP-125, 250 VAC
Mounting Hole Size	: 0.49 In. Diameter
Mounting Type	: Bushing: 15/32-32 UNS Thread
Operation	: Mom. On-Off-Mom. On
Seal Type	: Lever to bushing sealed to prevent entrance of liquids or dust
Standards	: UL Recognized, CSA Certified, CE Approved
Termination	: 6-32 UNC binding head terminal screw

KI6TTF Joseph





# Membership Chair Report

For January 2012, Submitted February 7, 2012

Membership Statistics as of December 31 2011:

- 103 Full Member
- 56 Full Member Family
- 0 Associate Member
- 5 Associate Member Family
- 8 Full Member Life
- 3 Full Member Family Life
- 2 Associate Member Family Life
- Total: 177

## Meeting Attendance

January 2012      42 Members      4 Visitors

February 2012

## Membership New And Renewal

Month	Renewal	New
January	10	0
February	0	0

## Membership Activity

Month	Reminders	Web Notices	Newsletters
January	0	1	1
February	49	1	0

Renewal Notices Sent 2/6/12: 49 by email

# Don't forget...

## Club Meetings

The ARCEC Board of Directors meets the first Tuesday of each month. The membership meets on the second Thursday. The BoD meetings are open to any member who wishes to attend. The membership meetings are open to everyone

If you wish to join the club, learn about ham radio, or even get your license, please come to the next membership meeting and learn what this hobby is all about.



Prospect Hill Field Day 1941

# Field Day Chair Report

February, 2012

The plan for Field Day 2012 will be presented at the membership meeting February 8, 2012. The Field Day committee has been visiting sites and expects to be ready to present a decision on a site and a preliminary plan for Field Day 2012.

In March the FD Committee will be working on

- Site plan
- T-shirt design contest
- FD Website
- Vendors
- Sponsors

If you would like to be a member of the Field Day Committee, please contact KI6UPY, Joseph, at [FieldDay@wa6bgs.us](mailto:FieldDay@wa6bgs.us) or send a message by way of any contact info on the club website: [www.wa6bgs.us](http://www.wa6bgs.us).







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Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Cash or ☐ Check Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: ☐ Individual (\$20) ☐ Family (\$35)  
Membership Status: ☐ New ☐ Renewal ☐ Returning Member  
Call Sign: First Name: Last Name: WAMO # (If renewing or returning):

ARRL Member: ☐ Yes ☐ No  
License Class: ☐ Technician ☐ General ☐ Extra ☐ Other:  
Address: City: State: Zip: PO Box:

Email ID: Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a member badge? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Add Additional Members Here (Family Package):

First Name	Last Name	Call Sign	License Class	Wamo #	Badge
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**Submitting This Form**

To submit this form mail it to P.O. Box 50 El Cajon, 92022

-OR-

Bring to the next club meeting or go to [www.wa6bgs.us](http://www.wa6bgs.us) and join on line (click on Club info / Join)

**Cash Payments - Get a Receipt from the Club Treasurer. Make all checks payable to AMATEUR RADIO CLUB of EL CAJON, Incorporated. Receipts for payments by check will be sent by email or regular mail by the Club Treasurer.**

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